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City celebrates Ramanavami

Devotees savour butter milk and panaka distributed by various organisations

Mysuru, Apr. 5 (MTY&VNS)- Thousands of devotees thronged various temples across the city this morning on the occasion of Sri Ramanavami celebrations. People started to queue up in front of temples early in the morning to offer special prayers.

Sri Ramanavami is observed on the ninth day of Chaitra Navaratri to commemorate the birth of Lord Rama, the seventh *avatar* of Lord Vishnu.

Special pujas were performed at Maruthi Temple in T.K. Layout, Kote Anjaneya Swamy Temple near Mysore Palace, Sri Rama Mandira and Sri Raghavendra Swamy Mutts across the city, Suryanarayana Swamy Temple in Udayagiri, Sathyanarayana Swamy Temples on Chamaraja Double Road and at the Amrutheswara Temple premises on Dewan's Road.

Several organisations distributed lemon juice, muskmelon juice and butter milk for devotees near temples and at various junctions. Autorickshaw Drivers' Associations had also installed pendals and distributed 'kosambari' and 'panaka' to the passersby. Ramanavami came as a big relief for people as several of them could beat the heat consuming butter milk and *panaka*.

Meanwhile, several organisations have also organised various cultural and musical programmes in the evening to mark the occasion. Several bhajan programmes have also been organised in the temples.

IPL-10 begins tonight

Hyderabad, Apr. 5- Cricket buffs across the world will be glued to their television sets as the 10th edition of the Indian Premier League (IPL) kicks-off at the Rajiv Gandhi International Stadium here with defending champions Sunrisers Hyderabad (SRH) taking on last year's runners-up Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) this evening.

All eyes will be on the Afghan cricketers Mohammed Nabi and Rashid Khan, who are playing the IPL for the first time. The duo was bought by Sunrisers Hyderabad during the players' auction.

This being the 10th edition of IPL, the organisers are preparing for big celebrations. IPL Chairman Rajeev Shukla announced that unlike past editions, the 10th edition will not exclude any fan from the celebrations as the league plans to host eight different opening ceremonies, one before the first home game of each franchise.

Bollywood stars have entertained cricket fans at the start of each IPL season with the likes of Hrithik Roshan, Priyanka Chopra, Deepika Padukone and Kolkata Knight Riders owner Shah Rukh Khan having performed in the opening ceremonies in the previous editions.

Today's opening ceremony in Hyderabad will witness actress Amy Jackson performing to some Bollywood numbers. Riteish Deshmukh will perform at Maharashtra Cricket Association Stadium tomorrow before RPS takes on MI and Tiger Shroff will perform at Saurashtra Cricket Association Stadium before Gujarat Lions takess on KKR on Apr. 7.

(See IPL on page 11)

IPL Season-10

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Both Congress and BJP bank on sympathy votes in Gundlupet

Gundlupet, Apr. 5 (SS&VNS)- Top leaders of Congress and BJP are literally sweating it out for one-upmanship in the forthcoming by-election to Gundlupet Assembly (General) constituency that will be held on Apr. 9 along with Nanjangud (Reserved) constituency. Even the hot sun and a humid weather do not matter for campaigners as both the parties have taken it as a prestige issue.

Though seven candidates are in the fray for Gundlupet seat, the fight is between Congress candidate Geetha Mahadevaprasad (M.C. Mohanakumari) and BJP's C.S. Niranjan Kumar.

Both the candidates are banking on sympathy votes to emerge victorious.

(See VOTES on page 8)

COUNTDOWN

Nanjangud-Gundlupet

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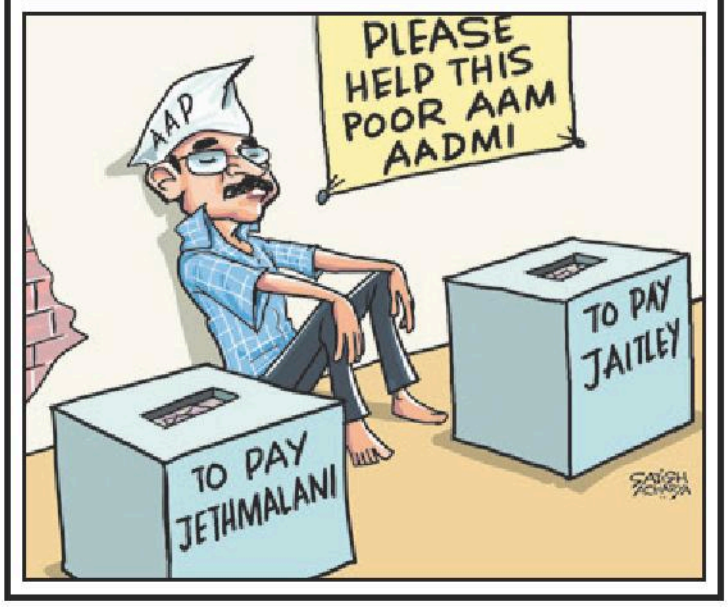
STAR PUNCH

By Satish Acharya



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Dress-driven displeasure

Not many may be aware of the grind of the crew bringing to the doorstep before the break of dawn dailies with news, reports, articles, advertisements to herald the day in the life of the land's literati whose headcount is anybody's guess. The print media, in the wake of a multitude of challenges and threats to its survival, particularly the rapidly rising competition with the electronic media, is "more sinned against than sinning," to borrow an expression of the Bard of Stratford-Upon-Avon. A State-sponsored television news channel, in a veiled advertising gimmick, can be heard at the conclusion of every news bulletin, asking viewers not to miss its telecast for the benefit of getting true, comprehensive and rewarding news and reports on the happenings in the nation. Hardly has anyone heard a voice showering accolades on the thankless work of the print media day after day.

On the contrary, the Karnataka Legislative Assembly is mulling constituting a Legislature Committee to take a call on the quality of reporting in the dailies at large, going to the extent of voicing uncomplimentary remarks on the reportage and the reporters. The verdict of the elected representatives cannot be expected to be without bias.

While the profession of journalism in the days gone-by earned a niche for the calling by virtue of men of letters took to the profession, gaining in stature and popularity over years in the field, although their number could be counted on one's fingers. Society of their days might have pitched in to serve as synergy in raising the image of journalism and its players by many notches. All that has changed to *creating* journalists through formal training in institutions, although the biggest handicap is the missing foundation of schooling budding journalists with command over language, apart from the needed rich vocabulary. It is here that the sweat and toil of seasoned journalists in nurturing competence cannot be over-emphasised. One is reminded of Prof. Ingersoll's statement that colleges *polish* pebbles and *dim* diamonds.

Whatever the Legislature Committee may say, the players in the field of journalism owe it to themselves to set their own high standards for the calling and earn societal adulation. In the meanwhile, the reported displeasure in the Bombay High Court about reporters wearing jeans and T-shirt need not be blown out of proportion. Let not issues of dress impact the high standards of journalistic practice in the land.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

Romeo re-played: *Juliet (standing in balcony):* ***O Romeo, Romeo! Wherefore art thou Romeo?***

Romeo (standing below balcony): ***Shh! Someone'll hear my name.***

Juliet: ***Your name? What's wrong with Romeo? It's a perfectly good name.***

Romeo: ***Not in UP, it isn't. Young guys who hang around street corners looking at girls have been given a bad name – my name, and special anti-Romeo Police teams have been formed to nab them.***

Juliet: ***You mean the cops are nabbing anyone and everyone whom they think looks like they could be a Romeo?***

Romeo: ***Yup, particularly if the person they think looks like a Romeo. Anyway, my name is Romeo, and that's enough for these guys to haul me off to jail.***

Juliet: ***So what are you going to do?***

Romeo: ***I'm going to change my name by deed poll.***

Juliet: ***Oh, no! A Romeo by any other name wouldn't be as sweet. Don't be so chicken!***

Romeo: ***With no meat of any other kind available – what with abattoirs banned, along with Romeo – no one's got any option but to go chicken. We'll have to do a ghar wapsi: you go wapsi to your ghar, and I go wapsi to my ghar, never to meet again.*** *— Jug Suraiya in The Times of India.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Cheapest house but uninhabitable!

San Francisco: You know housing prices in San Francisco are absolutely insane when the cheapest house on the market costs half a million dollars and is virtually uninhabitable.

According to Zillow real estate experts, the median listing price for a detached home in San Francisco is $1.15 million But this house in the Excelsior District of San Fran currently on sale for "just" $499,000. Half a million bucks is not pocket change, compared to most of the houses listen on real estate sites. The only problem is that you can't really live in it.

This 1916 house at 167 Maynard features three bedrooms, one bath, and 1,400 square feet of living space. In 2015, the house was ravaged by fire, the place is pretty much uninhabitable. The inside needs a complete makeover, and half of the roof is non-existent at this point. So you're basically paying half a million dollars for a total wreck that you'll either have to tear down and rebuild from the ground up. It sounds like a bad deal either way.

Pencil Drawings

Abuja: Arinze Stanley is a talented young Nigerian artist whose works often leave people scratching their heads and asking themselves if they're looking at a pencil drawing or a high-definition black and white photograph. Yes, his drawing skills are that good!

Arinze's interest in art, and drawing in particular, was sparked at a young age. His family ran a paper company, so he would often kill time by grabbing a piece of paper and trying his hand at drawing. But he only started exploring hyper-realism in 2012, and became a professional artist a year later. He has never taken any professional art classes, and claims that the level of detail he is able to produce is solely the result of years of practice. Arinze Stanley says that "I take over 200 hours to complete a drawing and I only have time to work during the night due to my busy schedule at work during the day." Arinze says that he takes inspiration for his artworks from everything around him.

Poorvaranga Utsava at Rangayana from this evening

Mysuru, Apr. 5 (VNS) - The three-day Poorvaranga Utsava organised by Rangayana will be held from Apr. 5 to Apr. 7. The theatre festival will be inaugurated by *Andolana* Editor Rajashekar Koti. Senior Theatrist Prof. H.S. Umesh will be the chief guest.

The event will be presided by Kannada and Culture Director K.A. Dayanand. Kannada and Culture Joint Director V.N. Mallikarjuna Swamy, Rangayana Deputy Director Nirmala Matapathi and Co-ordinator S. Ramnath will be present.

The festival will feature students of the Bharatiya Ranga Shikshana Kendra staging three different plays:

Apr. 5: Staging of '*Oedipus*' written by Sophocles and '*Anthigone*' written Jeen Anvi; Directed by Umesh Saliyan.

Apr. 6: Staging of '*Bekku-Bavi*' written by S. Balurao; Directed by Jeevan Kumar B. Heggodu.

Apr. 7: Staging of '*Mricchakatika*' written by Shudraka; Directed by S. Malathi Sagara.

The plays will be staged from 6 pm every day and entry for public is free.

Healthy tips

Dr. Prithvi priyadarshini U S
Consultant Gastroenterologist

Q: Dear doctor, I am Shilpa, aged 25 year old unmarried lady, a software professional. Since 8 months, I have alternating constipation and loose stools with Abdomen discomfort. hemoglobin is 10 gm% and Thyroid profile is normal. Ultrasound abdomen is normal. My food habits are irregular and sleep pattern is also disturbed. Please help.

A: Dear Ms. Shilpa, firstly, your hemoglobin is low, the cause for anemia can be nutritional deficit or otherwise. Secondly, I would require additional information as to - any time have you noticed blood in stools or black colored stools? Or is there any loss of weight. I would suggest you to undergo Colonoscopy. This is required to know the condition of large intestine, to rule out any condition like ulcers causing these symptoms and anemia. It is a safe procedure which is done using fibreoptic high definition colonoscope. There is no need for admission, You can go back home the same day and resume your normal duties. Depending on the results, we will be treating you as IBS or otherwise.

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LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

This happened to an American visitor in Madras. In his hotel room, he picked up the telephone one night and asked for a 7-Up. The switchboard operator answered in his best English, "7-Up? Yes, Sir." The cold drink never arrived, but the next morning the tourist was woken up punctually at 7 O'clock !

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VOICE OF THE READER

Killer road humps near Bandipur

Sir,

On some stretches of National Highway (NH) 67 passing through Bandipur and Mudumalai forests, the authorities have fixed road humps. It is strange to note that the humps within Karnataka State are very badly constructed and maintained. Many of the humps are without white stripes and caution boards.

But the road humps in Tamil Nadu side are better managed with white stripes on the humps along with a reflecting caution board. The humps in TN are better than the totally unscientific humps in the Bandipur range.

I fail to comprehend the lackadaisical approach by the National Highway authorities for the same stretch of NH in two different States. Or is it that the National Highways are managed by the respective State governments ?

Hope the concerned authorities will modify these unscientific road humps by painting them with white stripes and fix reflecting caution boards.

—K. Chandrahas
Mysuru
2.3.2017

JSS CMS hosts MANNOVEX-17

Mysuru, Apr. 5 - JSS Centre for Management Studies (JSS CMS), Department of Management Studies, Sri Jayachamarajendra College of Engineering (SJCE), JSS Science and Technology University, Mysuru, had organised the 10th edition of National-level Management Competition — 'Management Innovation for Excellence, MANNOVEX-17' — at JSS CMS here on Mar. 31 and Apr. 1. The theme was *'AVISHKAR - Make in India.'*

As part of this Fest, many prelude events were organised including Cyclothon, blood donation camp, sports meet and series of special lectures.

MANNOVEX-17 was inaugurated by Dr. Muthukumar, President and Whole Time Director, Automotive Axles Limited, Mysuru. Dr. B.G. Sangameshwara, Vice-Chancellor, JSS Science and Technology University, presided.

The student teams from various Management Colleges and Universities participated in this event.

Dr. P. Nagesh, Head of the Department, presented his remarks on Mannovex 2017.

Yuvarajanath and Sharath, faculty coordinators and Niranth and Vinay, student coordinators, were present on the occasion, according to a press release.

Calling budding architects

Mock National Aptitude Test on Apr.8

Mysuru, Apr. 5 (OSR) - Mysore School of Architecture (MSA) is conducting a mock National Aptitude Test in Architecture (Mock NATA) on Apr. 8 at MSA campus, CA-01, University Layout, Lingambudhi, near Dattagalli Ring Road here from 10 am to 1 pm.

Eligibility: Students aspiring to study of join B.Arch (10th, 1st PU students) can also apply.

For registration contact Ph: 0821-2970895 or 3205881. Register online via: *bit.do/mock-nata* before Apr. 7.

MSA has organised this free test as the format of NATA has changed from this year. Also NATA will be conducted on one single day all over India once a year. This year the NATA will be held on Apr. 16, according to Prof. D.S. Ramakrishna Rao, Dean, Mysore School of Architecture, University of Mysore.

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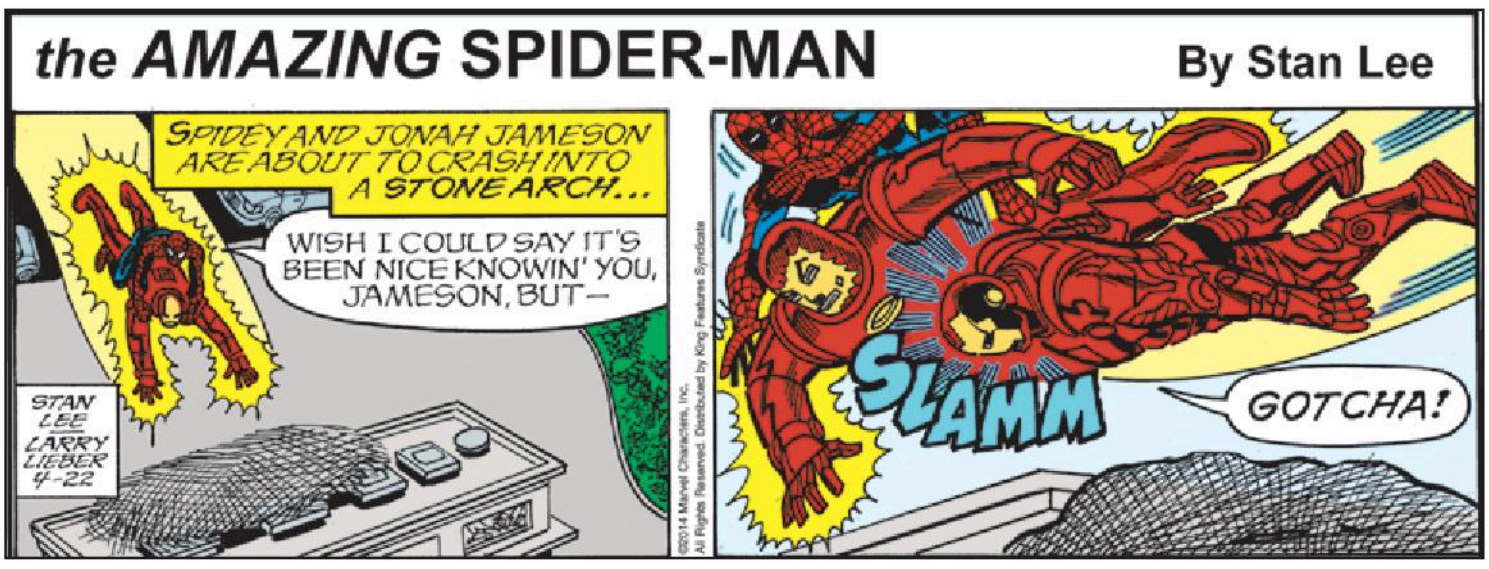
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NEWS BRIEFS

Disruption in water supply

Owing to maintenance works, water supply will be disrupted in the following areas on Apr.7: Ward 19 to 45 — DMA areas and RMP, BEML, Vijayanagar 1st, 2nd & 3rd Stages, KHB Colony, Hootagalli, Metagalli, Kumbarakoppal, Lokanayak Nagar, B.M. Shri Nagar, Bannimantap, Brindavan Extension, V.V. Mohalla, Vontikoppal, Paduvarahalli, Vinayakanagar, Manjunathapura, Mandi Mohalla, Lashkar Mohalla, Hootagalli, Gokulam 1st, 2nd and 3rd Stages, Yadavagiri and other areas.

Hernia and Diabetic clinics

Narayana Multi-speciality Hospital has organised a hernia clinic at its premises on Apr. 6 (Thursday) from 4 pm to 6 pm. Hernia clinic will also be conducted on every Thursday evening.

As part of World Health Day, Narayana Multi-speciality Hospital has organised a three-day diabetic check-up camp at its premises from Apr. 6 to 8 between 9.30 am and 2 pm. For details, contact Mob: 95380-52378.

Flash mob to mark World Health Day

As part of World Health Day, the students, research scholars, non-teaching and teaching staff of the Department of Studies in Genetics and Genomics, University of Mysore, will perform a 10-minute flash mob-cum-street play on Apr. 7 at the following venues: Chikkagadiyara Platform (11.30 am); Round Canteen and Clock Tower of Manasagangothri campus, UoM (1 pm); BM Habitat Mall premises (5 pm) and Mall of Mysore premises (7 pm). Mayor M.J. Ravikumar will inaugurate the event at Chikkagadiyara at 11 am. This event is organised to educate and create awareness regarding the role of Genetics in Human health and disorders. For details, contact Chairman Prof. N.B. Ramachandra on Ph: 0821-2419781/ 2419032.

Mass Upanayana

Prachodayat Vipra Sangha (Vidyaranyapuram - Vishweshwaranagar), J.P. Nagar, has organised its 23rd Trimathastha Vipra Vatu's Mass Upanayana at Sri Avani Shringeri Shankaracharya Mahasamsthanam, Sharadapeetam, Mysuru Branch 4th Main Road, 9th Cross Road, Vidyaranyapuram, on Apr. 30 (Sunday). Interested may register their names with J. Ramesh on Mob: 93422-02562 or Bhavanishankar on Mob: 94480-63766 before Apr. 15, or visit Maharshi Vidyasamsthe Office, Mysuru, between 10 am and 1 pm or Sri Avani Shrungeri Shankaracharya Mahasamsthanam between 6 pm and 8 pm. And as part of Shankara Jayanti, a procession will be taken out at 5.30 pm on Apr. 30, according to a press release.

BJP, Congress stage protest in front of Gundlupet Police Station

Alleged distribution of cash for voters

Gundlupet, Apr.5 (SG)- Accusing the Congress of distributing money among the electorate for Gundlupet by-polls, BJP workers staged a protest in front of Gundlupet Police Station on Tuesday.

Soon as the BJP workers launched the demonstration, the Congress staged a counter demonstration accusing the BJP of attempting to banish the State Government's image.

Acting on a tip off, the Gundlupet Police caught Baragi ZP Congress Members Channappa and seized over Rs. 1 lakh from him. During questioning, Channappa said that he had drawn the money from a bank for his personal use and produced some documents in support of his claim.

The election authorities let him off after obtaining a written undertaking from him.

The BJP workers after coming to know of the incident, staged a demonstration in front of Gundlupet Police Station under the leadership of former Minister M.P. Renukacharya. Irked by the BJP's demonstration, Congress workers led by ZP Member Kaballi Mahesh staged a counter protest accusing the BJP of making false allegations.

As a result, tension prevailed around the Police Station for sometime. The Police had to resort to mild lathi-charge to prevent any untoward incident from happening.

Meanwhile, Sectoral officers seized Rs. 1.36 lakh unaccounted cash being transported in a car. The officials were on a routine check at Hakkalapura Cross check-post, when they seized Rs. 74,000 (37 notes of Rs. 2,000) from one Puttaswamy of Kanakapura and Rs. 62,000 (31 notes of Rs. 2,000) from one Umesh, totalling Rs. 1.36 lakh cash.

Notice for loan recovery from Bank

Irked farmers stage semi-nude protest

Mysuru, Apr.5 (US&RKB)- Condemning the action of Bank officials serving notices to farmers to repay loans taken when the State is reeling under drought, farmers under the aegis of State Sugarcane Growers Association staged a protest in front of State Bank of India (Lead Bank) branch in T.K. Layout here yesterday.

The farmers to vent their despair were semi-nude with stones kept on their heads and with an empty plate in their hands.

The farmers, led by Association President Kurubur Shanthakumar, shouted slogans against State and Central Governments urging both to waive farm loans.

Arriving on the spot, SBI Deputy General Manager Srinivas and Lead Bank Manager Shivalingiah clarified farmers that the Bank had no intention to harass farmers. They assured to discuss the issue with the Deputy Commissioner.

Earlier to that, the farmers led by Shantakumar held a meeting at Kuvempu Park near Gun House and discussed on the harassment by Bank officials on farmers. H.B. Siddaiah, a farmer from Hadli village in Malavalli taluk, who arrived for the meeting, said that the canal in the village was dry for the last seven years and his family of five were living with rice from 'Anna Bhagya' scheme. He lamented that the Bank was pressurising him to repay the loan driving him to the wall with no option left but to end life.

Association General Secretary Devaraj and other farmer leaders participated in the protest.

State Govt. to import sand

Bengaluru, Apr.5 (KMS&DM)- The State Government will come out with a new sand policy, which allows import of sand from Malaysia and Indonesia at cheap rates.

Speaking to press persons here yesterday, Law Minister T.B. Jayachandra said that the Government is contemplating to buy sand from Malaysia and Indonesia at Rs. 12,000 per tonne in the wake of its severe shortage in the State. Pointing out that Maharashtra has been importing sand from these two countries, he said that Karnataka too will follow Maharashtra in order to meet sand requirements of the State.

Stating that the State needs 24 million tonnes of sand annually, Jayachandra said that only about 4 million tonnes of sand is available naturally. Maintaining that sand mining has been wholly prohibited because of rivers and other water bodies going dry, the Minister said that the demands of coastal districts will be taken up before finalising the new policy.

Stressing on the need for promoting M-sand, he said that the State Government will extend all possible help for M-sand production. The Minister further said that a Cabinet Sub-Committee on Tuesday discussed the attack on Udupi DC Priyanka Mary Francis and Assistant Commissioner Shilpa Nag by a gang involved in illegal sand mining.

MCC official sentenced for graft

Mysuru, Apr.5 (RK&DM)- A City Court has sentenced an MCC official to six years imprisonment besides imposing a penalty of Rs. 10,000 on him.

Jagadish, a Statistical Officer with the MCC, is the one who has been sentenced. Jagadish had demanded Rs. 5,000 bribe for issuing death certificate of one Johnsy Thompanel of Kerala who died in a road mishap near Bylakuppe on Mysuru-Madikeri Road on Sept.10, 2010.

Johnson, a relative of the deceased Thompanel, paid Rs. 2,000 as 'advance' to Jagadish. But as Jagadish began to pester for Rs. 3,000 more as bribe, Johnson lodged a complaint with the Lokayukta Police, who trapped Jagadish while accepting Rs. 3,000 from Johnson on Oct. 6, 2010. The Lokayukta Police after completing investigation filed a charge-sheet against Jagadish.

The 3rd Sessions Court and Special Lokayukta Court Judge Sudheendranath, who heard the case, held Jagadish guilty of the charges and sentenced him.

Public Prosecutor Muthamma Poonachha argued on behalf of the State.

Tiger Prince, the favourite among visitors in Bandipur dead

Gundlupet, Apr. 5 (MTY&KS)- Prince (14), the tiger in Bandipur forests which had become the favourite tiger among the tourists and visitors, is dead.

It is confirmed that the carcass of a tiger which was found two days ago near Lokkere in Kundakere zone is that of Prince. The death of Prince has brought tears and grief among the Forest staff, visitors and tourists as it was the favourite among all.

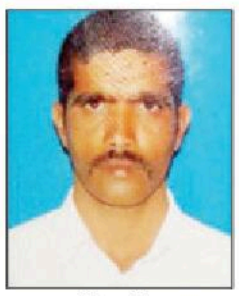
Bandipur houses about 130 tigers in it 13 zones covering 1,200 sq. kilometres and Prince has been spotted during safaris since 11 years thus becoming the favourite to all.

Though the lifespan of tigers in the wild is said to be 10 years, Prince lived for 14 years and had established its territory spanning about 45 kilometres. It has killed four tigers till now in territorial fights and had recovered from serious injuries due to the fights.

Deeply saddened: Confirming that the carcass of the tiger found near Lokkere is that of Prince, T. Heeralal, Director, Project Tiger, Bandipur, said that after going through the photos, camera traps, the stripes on the body and the lump in the front leg, it is confirmed that the carcass is that of Prince. The death of Prince had saddened the staff and visitors, he added.

Lightning kills three farmers in Periyapatna and Hassan

Krishnaraje Urs


Murali

Vijayakumar

Mysuru/Hassan, Apr. 5- Mysuru and Hassan received moderate to heavy rainfall, accompanied by lightning and thunderstorms, yesterday and due to the impact three farmers were killed in different incidents.

Forty-year-old Krishnaraje Urs, son of Veeraraje Urs, a resident of Rajanabilaguli village, was killed when lightning struck him near his field. He was standing under a tree along with 65-year-old Eshwarappa, son of Sannappa. Eshwarappa, who sustained injuries in the lightning strike, has been admitted to Periyapatna hospital.

Krishnaraje Urs had left home in the evening along with some manure to his fields. To take shelter from the sudden downpour, he and Eshwarappa stood under a tree when the tragedy occurred.

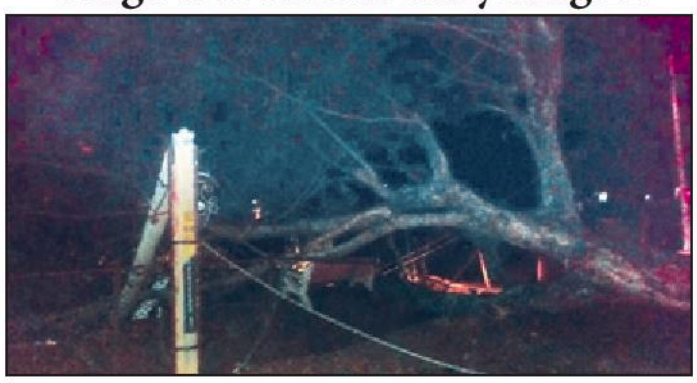
Periyapatna Tahsildar J. Mahesh along with other officials inspected the spot and Bettadapura Police have registered a case. Krishnaraje Urs leaves behind his wife Kumari and daughters 6-year-old Amritha & 4-year-old Ananya.

In the second incident, two farmers were killed at Basavanahalli village in Arakalagud taluk, Hassan. The farmers have been identified as 45-year-old Vijayakumar and 35-year-old Murali. Both of them were working at their fields when thunderstorms hit the village at 4.30 pm.

While Murali leaves behind his wife, a son and a daughter, Vijayakumar leaves behind his wife and two sons.

Rain brings respite

Huge tree falls at Kalyanagiri



Mysuru, Apr. 5 (SBD&BCT)- Pre-monsoon showers yesterday evening brought some relief to Mysuru that was reeling under rising temperature.

Rain, accompanied by thunder and lightning, lashed at Vidyaranyapuram, Kalyanagiri, Raghavendranagar, J.P. Nagar, Kuvempunagar, Vishweshwaranagar, Sharadadevinagar and Udayagiri. Areas including Bannimantap, Vijayanagar, Lakshmipuram and Jayalakshmipuram received less rainfall.

While several low-lying areas complained of severe water logging, a giant tree fell on the main road in Kalyanagiri. Along with the tree, four electric poles came crashing down, blocking traffic on the busy road. Following the incident, Ward 55 Corporator Shoukath Pasha arrived at the spot and informed the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) authorities.

Later, MCC Zone-9 Assistant Commissioner Puttasheshagiri arrived with 'Abhaya' team and cleared the tree. As Chamundeshwari Electricity Supply Company (CESC) Assistant Electrical Engineer Nandeesh opined that clearing the fallen electric poles during night would damage more poles, the operation was restricted to shifting of the tree that had fallen on the road. Seeing the MCC authorities clearing the tree, several residents of the area assembled at the spot and told the authorities that moments before the tree crashed, two women had passed the road on their two-wheeler. They urged the authorities to clear two more trees that were standing precariously near the park and alleged that despite several complaints, the MCC had only pruned the branches instead of clearing the trees.

Murder of Head Master near Mandya

Three Mysuru-based supari killers nabbed

Mandya, Apr. 5 (KS)- K.M. Doddi Police, who had launched a hunt to nab the supari killers of Shashibhushan, the Head Master of the Government School in Bidarahosahalli, who was murdered by the supari killers near Arechakanahalli on Mar. 31 morning, have been successful in nabbing three killers from the outskirts of Mysuru yesterday and have launched a hunt to nab two more accused who are absconding.

The arrested three supari killers have been identified as **Suresh, Venkatesh and Mahadev,** all residents of Gandhinagar in Mysuru, disclosed Mandya SP Sudheer Kumar Reddy.

It may be recalled that on Mar. 31 morning, Shashibhushan, who was on his way to the school was waylaid by five supari killers near Arechakanahalli who were following Shashibhushan in a car and killed him by slitting his throat.

K.M. Doddi Police, who had suspected the involvement of Shashibhushan's wife Shanthamma and daughter Navyashree, took them into custody soon after the last rites of Shashibhushan was performed and subjected them to interrogation, during which they had confessed of paying Rs. 5 lakh to Mysuru-based supari killers to eliminate Shashibhushan.

Based on the information provided by Shanthamma and Navyashree and from the messages sent to the killers through *WhatsApp*, the Police had formed two teams to nab the killers and were successful in nabbing three of the five members of the gang from the outskirts of Mysuru.

K.M. Doddi SI Ayyanagowda, Arakere SI Azaruddin, Srirangapatna SI Puneeth and staff took part in the operation.

Student killed as bike rams into electric pole

Mysuru, Apr. 5 (RK&KS)- In a reported tragic incident, a student suffered serious head injuries when he lost control over the bike he was riding and rammed it into an electric pole near Unnathi Nagar close to the Outer Ring Road here last evening.

The deceased student has been identified as Syed Saleem (18), son of Syed Yousuf, residing in Sankalp Apartment in Yadavagiri here.

It is reported that Saleem, a student of Mahesh PU College, after coming from the Toll Gate side, took a left turn near Columbia Asia Hospital to the Ring Road and was proceeding near Unnathi Nagar, when he lost control of the bike and rammed it into a roadside electric pole at about 4.30 pm. Though he was being rushed to a hospital, he breathed his last on the way, said the Police. N.R. Traffic Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Man goes missing from city

Hemanna

Mysuru, Apr. 5 (KS)- A case of a man going missing has been reported from Lashkar Police limits in city. The missing man has been identified as 55-year-old Hemanna.

According to the complaint lodged by Hemanna's brother Mukunda, they both left home on Mar. 26 in a bike to Suburban Bus Stand, where Mukunda parked his bike and both left for Adichunchanagiri in a bus.

After returning to Mysuru, at about 2.45 pm, Mukunda asked his brother Hemanna to stay on the way to the parking, while Mukunda went to the parking place to bring his bike.

When Mukunda returned with the bike, he found Hemanna missing and searched everywhere but Hemanna was not to be found following which Mukunda lodged a missing complaint.

The missing person, said to be mentally-unsound, is 5 ft. tall, oval faced, oily-red complexioned, thin built, speaks Kannada and was wearing a brown colour full arm shirt and a brown pant at the time of going missing.

Those having any information about the missing person, may contact Lashkar Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418307 or Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339/340.

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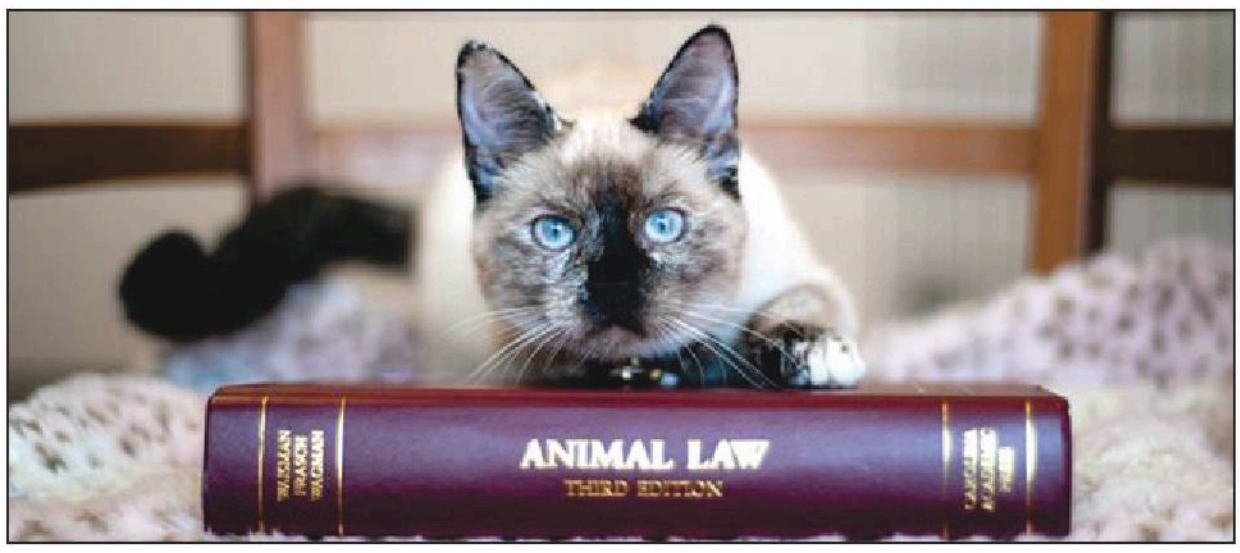
Pet Talk

Maneka Gandhi



In this week's Pet Talk,
Maneka apprises her readers about the specific laws one should know as an animal lover to protect the street animals.

What specific laws do I need to know as an animal lover to protect the street animals?

Being an Animal Lover, Activist or Feeder, in India, makes you face hostilities that will leave you frustrated and demoralised. As we commonly complain, '90% of Animal Welfare Work is about dealing with hostile humans.' Add to it the ignorance and apathy of the Police. Which is why you need to know the laws in order to protect yourself and protect the animals under your care. India happens to have one of the most comprehensive set of animal protection laws in the world. There are detailed codes of conduct governing our use and treatment of both domestic, stray and wild animals and there are many cases where these laws have been implemented. In fact, India is unique in that animal welfare is enshrined in our Constitution and every citizen is required to show compassion for all living beings.

a. What to do if your society is forcing you to give up your pet:

i. Refuse. The RWA has no legal status, as it is not a legal entity. It cannot make laws that go against other laws. If it's a notice, download the copies of the rulings (you can get them from our site *(www.peopleforanimalsindia.org)*, and AWBI guidelines and share it with the RWA/ housing society, bringing it to their notice that their by-laws are illegal and unenforceable.

ii. If they threaten you, or your pets, lodge an FIR. When you approach the Police, keep a copy of these rulings and notices. It helps get the Cops to do their jobs.

iii. Write a letter to any local Animal Welfare NGO of repute asking them for help. Your NGO will either send a notice itself or guide you on how to send it yourself. Get a lawyer to send a legal notice.

iv. You are being harassed, intimidated, your rights of privacy and right to property are being violated. All these are jail-able offences and the RWA Secretary/ President becomes the culprit.

v. Approach consumer courts. Your living in a housing society makes you a consumer, and them, a service provider. The precedents in such cases have been positive for pet owners.

b. What can you do to help an injured or abused stray animal:

i. When you see a Stray Animal being hit, abused, beaten or harassed, be sure to inform the offender about the law and get him or her to stop. Should the abuse persist, register an FIR at the nearest Police Station.

ii. Do not become discouraged if the Police do not, at first, take you seriously. In many cases, they may not know the laws pertaining to animals. Be polite, but firm, and show them you mean business by presenting a copy of the sections of the law Prevention of Cruelty to Animals Act 1960, Section 11.

iii. Seeking help of local NGOs and activists is highly recommended, as they have prior experience and authority in dealing with non-cooperative housing societies and Police.

iv. If the municipality in your area is cruelly killing homeless dogs, make an appointment with the Municipal Commissioner. Inform the Commissioner that it has been proven that cruelly killing dogs reduces neither their number nor the incidence of bites and rabies and that the Courts have ruled that it is illegal to kill stray animals.

v. The Animal Welfare Board of India has developed a set of guidelines for all Municipalities, directing the implementation of the Animal Birth Control (ABC) programme. If there is an animal welfare organisation in the area, urge it to take up the ABC programme.

vi. It is illegal for a municipality to round up stray dogs and abandon them outside city limits, as it places them in circumstances likely to cause their death from starvation and thirst. Therefore, you should challenge this cruelty in court.

vii. Knowing the law, however, doesn't do much for an animal who is injured. Your first priority is to get him help. The punishment can wait.

viii. When you see an animal knocked over by a vehicle, get the number of the vehicle and move on to helping the animal. Check the animal for signs of life. If possible, move him or her to safety and administer life-saving first aid. Your priority is to stabilise the animal and stop bleeding, if any. Seek help from people around to catch and restrain the Dog, because an injured dog can bite in pain and stress. Use a clean cloth, or cotton wool, and press firmly against the wound to stop bleeding. If you can take the animal to a veterinarian yourself, do so. If not, call an animal welfare organisation that has an ambulance.

ix. Once the animal is taken care of, file a complaint against the offender with the nearest Police Station (IPC sections 428 and 429).

c. Feed the strays. The law is on your side.

Feeding street dogs is the solution to many 'problems'. It reduces suspicion, it augments trust, you earn their love and loyalty. And most importantly, it becomes easier to catch the dogs for the purpose of animal birth control and medication. It is for this reason that the Delhi High Court has specifically held, that street dogs have to be fed, and dogs feeding sites identified in all localities. The Court has also given a direction to the Delhi Police to protect animal feeders. You may also get yourself registered as a Colony Animal Caretaker from Animal Welfare Board of India, by giving your details and mailing your credentials along with the form. It is free.

If you feed strays in your locality, the AWBI and the Courts have some guidelines for you too. Make sure you follow them to the greatest extent possible, keeping in mind the benefit of the animals as well as people.

What does a woodpecker eat?

Woodpeckers are omnivores, they eat fruits, insects, berries, nuts and tree sap.

How do birds urinate?

To make them more lightweight, most birds do not have bladders to store urine. Rather than producing liquid urine to get rid of wastes, they produce a white, pasty substance. However, while an ostrich does not have a bladder like a mammalian bladder, it is unique among birds, because it does have a complete separation of faeces and urine.

What are some symptoms of congestive heart failure in dogs?

Tiring easily, a decrease in activity level and sporadic coughing when a dog is excited, all can indicate the beginnings of congestive heart failure. As the body becomes unable to compensate for the reduced function of the heart, you may observe a lack of appetite, rapid breathing, abdominal swelling and weight loss. In late stages, laboured breathing, fainting and a rapid, irregular pulse may occur. Continued problems become more indicative of the disease. A backup of fluid in the lungs frequently causes coughing. When the fluid accumulates rapidly in the small airways, the dog may cough up a red fluid. This is indicative of failure of the left ventricle. When the fluid builds up in the abdomen, legs and chest cavity, failure of the right ventricle has occurred. Some forms of heart disease are curable if treated before the heart is damaged. Heartworms, bacterial endocarditis and congenital heart disease are all treatable, if identified early. A low-salt diet, restricted exercise and medications to improve heart function, are all suggested treatments for congestive heart failure. Congestive heart failure is diagnosed using chest X-rays, blood and urine tests, an electrocardiogram or an ultrasound examination.

What would cause my cat to lose his voice?

Identifying a definitive cause of voice loss in cats is often difficult or impossible. An upper respiratory tract infection, usually caused by the herpes virus or the feline calicivirus, is the most frequent reason a cat loses its voice. Sneezing and discharge from the eyes and nose accompany the voice loss in these cases. Vocal cord polyps and benign, or malignant, tumours can cause hoarseness, voice changes and voice loss in cats. Coughing, sneezing and repeated ear infections often occur concurrently. Medications and surgery can treat these conditions. Laryngeal paralysis, in which the larynx no longer works correctly, causes breathing and voice problems in cats. Any change in a feline's voice requires veterinary evaluation. In addition to an oral exam, X-rays and an endoscopic examination may be necessary to check for abnormalities.

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Dodda Jathra amidst political battle

* Nanjangud gets ready for the annual Sri Gautama Panchamaharathotsava on Apr.7
* Police face a daunting task to provide security for car festival and by-election in the temple town on Apr.9

The main chariot that carries the idol of Lord Srikanteshwara readied for the Dodda Jathra.

Nanjangud, Apr. 5 (VNS)- Thousands of devotees have started arriving from various parts of the State for the Dodda Jathra Mahotsava of Lord Srikanteshwara or Nanjundeshwara at the temple town. Their numbers will touch over a lakh on April 7 to witness the annual car festival at 'Dakshina Kashi.'

This year, the Jathra is being held two days before the voting to the Nanjangud Assembly by-election on Apr. 9 where former Minster V. Sreenivasa Prasad of the BJP is pitted against Kalale Keshavamurthy of the Congress. The town will be a hub of activities for the next four days with politicians, party workers, various vendors and devotees jostling for space with each other.

In the run up to the Jathra Mahotsava, the main street of the temple town, on which the chariots of Lord Nanjundeshwara, Goddess Parvathi, Lord Ganapathi, Lord Chandikeshwara and Lord Subramanya would be taken around, is being bedecked with colourful serial lights and other decorative materials.

The District Administration and the Muzrai Department have been making all necessary arrangements ahead of Sri Gautama Panchamaharathotsava. The District Administration has an uphill task of providing security to the election in a highly sensitive constituency dominated by caste politics and the Jathra Mahotsava to ensure both the mega events pass off smoothly.

Jayaprakash, Temple EO.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Nanjangud Srikanteshwara Temple Executive Officer (EO) Jayaprakash said that Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep and Superintendent of Police Ravi D. Channannavar have held two rounds of meeting with temple officials and have personally examined the temple premises to ensure fool-proof security measures and have prepared a blueprint on the placement of security personnel and CCTV cameras.

"We have already installed 20 CCTV cameras inside and 35 cameras outside the temple premises. Arrangements are also being made to install cameras at parking areas, banks of River Kapila and other strategic places. The District Police will also provide exclusive security during the festival and additional forces will be brought in from neighbouring districts," he said.

The Public Works Department has taken up the repair works of the main street and the road would be converted into a concrete one once the annual festival is over. "We have also dug an extra borewell to make sure there is adequate drinking water to the devotees," he said.

It is a normal practice in Nanjangud where social organisations distribute drinking water, butter milk, a variety of rice dishes and curd rice to devotees during the Jathra Mahotsava. This year since the election is just two days after the Jathra, temple authorities will have to seek permission from the Election Commission before permitting the organisations to distribute food.

"We have received over 20 applications from organisations seeking permission to distribute butter milk and food to devotees and we have sent them to the Deputy Commissioner's office and from there they will be sent to the Election Commission for approval," said Jayaprakash.

A carpenter is seen working on the main chariot's wheel to replace the old wooden piece with a new one.

Chariots being prepped

The main attraction of Nanjangud Jathra is the Sri Gautama Panchamaharathotsava where five giant chariots are taken around the main streets surrounding the temple. The six-wheeled chariot on which the idol of Lord Nanjundeshwara will be carried is said to be over 200-years-old. The temple authorities have made sure that the wheels of chariot are repaired before the car festival.

A group of five workers — M.C. Rajashekarachar, Prabhuswamy, Mahesh, and Nagendrachar under the leadership of Mahadevaswamy of Mullur village — have been working since the last 15 days to make sure that the chariot is ready for the festival. They are replacing old wooden pieces of the giant wheels with new ones. The last time the wooden pieces were replaced was during 1982.

Mahadevaswamy is the grandson of Siddappachar who used to work on the chariot wheels. After the demise of his grandfather and father, he has taken up the responsibility. He said that the rear wheels of the main chariot have to be replaced with new ones and added that the same would be done before the next year's festival.

Rituals of this year's annual car festival which began on Mar. 31 will end on Apr. 11.

The main Rathotsava will be held on Apr. 7 between 5.20 am and 6.20 am in *Meena lagna* and *Theppothsava* will be held on Apr. 9 at 7 pm.

CM offers floral tribute to Babu Jagjivan Ram in city

Special lecture held at Manasagangothri

Mysuru, Apr. 5 (SP&US)- Marking the 110th birth anniversary of former Deputy Prime Minister Dr. Babu Jagjivan Ram, the District Administration, Mysuru City Corporation (MCC), Zilla Panchayat, Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) and the Department of Social Welfare had organised a function at the Circle in front of City Railway Station here this morning.

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah, taking a break from the by-poll campaigning, arrived at the Circle and garlanded the statue of Babu Jagjivan Ram.

Speaking to the media, he hailed the services of Jagjivan Ram for the welfare of dalits and added that the great leader had carved a niche for himself in the political sector.

Meanwhile, residents of Gandhinagar, who arrived in a procession to the Circle, too garlanded the statue of Babu Jagjivan Ram.

Deputy Commissioner D. Randeep, ZP President Nayeema Sultana, BJP leader C.H. Vijayashankar, MLA M.K. Somashekar and others were present.

Special lecture held

Marking the occasion, Babu Jagjivan Ram Study Centre in Manasagangothri had organised a special lecture at its premises on the services rendered by the leader. The special lecture was delivered by Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) Hindi Assistant Professor Dr. D. Prabhusena.

The dignitaries offered floral tributes to the portrait of Jagjivan Ram.

Speaking as the chief guest, Dr. R. Sharanamma, Director, Babu Jagjivan Ram Study Centre of KSOU, recalled the memorable services rendered by the great leader to uplift the downtrodden. She said that Jagjivan Ram was a versatile Parliamentarian having served in several portfolios.

Centre Director K. Sadashiva presided.

Free distribution of butter milk near Ganapathy Ashrama

As part of Sri Ramanavami festival, Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji of Avadhoota Datta Peetha this morning inaugurated the free service of providing butter milk to the general public at the entrance of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama Main Gate. The service of distributing cool drink free of cost in this summer season will continue till May 20 from 11 am to 4 pm daily.

CDN Memorial Lecture and award presentation

CDN

Mysuru, Apr.5-The Literary Criterion Centre, Dhvanyaloka, Mysuru, has organised Padmabhushana Professor CDN Memorial Lecture-2017 at Dhvanyaloka on Bogadi Road here on Apr. 12 at 5. 30 pm.

Prof. B. Sheik Ali, eminent Historian and former Vice-Chancellor of Mangalore and Goa Universities, will deliver the lecture.

Prof. G.S. Amur, eminent Scholar and critic of Kannada Literature, will be conferred CDN Memorial Award for 2017.

On the occasion, K.V. Iyer's 'Roopadarshi,' translated by Prof. C.N. Srinath, will be released. Prof. K.M. Chandar will speak on the work.

Vyramudi Utsava at Melukote this evening

Mandya, Apr. 5 (NG&VNS)- With the famous Vyramudi Utsava at Melukote scheduled tonight, the Mandya District Administration handed over the diamond and precious stone-studded crown and other jewelleries of Lord Cheluvanarayana Swamy to the Temple Chief Priest Karagam Iyengar this morning.

The officials, led by Deputy Commissioner S. Ziaullah, took stock of the jewelleries at the district treasury in the presence of SP Sudheer Kumar Reddy, ADC B.R. Poornima, AC Arul Kumar and other officials before handing them over to the temple authorities.

Later, the jewels were taken under tight Police security to the nearby Lord Lakshmi Janardhan temple in a special van provided by Parakala Mutt where special pujas were offered by political leaders of various parties.

After the rituals at the temple were completed, the priests and officials began their journey towards Melukote passing through Pandavapura, Thonnur, Bellale and Jakkanahalli. The vehicle gave few stops at places were villagers gathered in large numbers to offer puja to the Lord's crown.

On reaching Melukote, the crown will be kept in high security room before being decorated upon the idol of Lord Cheluvanarayana Swamy during the Vyramudi festival which is expected to commence at around 8 pm.

Meanwhile, the KSRTC has introduced special buses from Mandya and Mysuru for the devotees to visit the holy place.

The Mandya District Administration has arranged for drinking water, mobile toilets and other necessary facilities atop the hill.

The District Police have deployed adequate personnel and has also installed CCTV cameras at various points to keep a close watch on the proceedings during the festival. Thousands of devotees are expected to visit Melukote to witness the fest.

Congress and BJP bank on sympathy votes

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While Geetha Mahadevaprasad is banking on sympathy votes owing to demise of her husband and former Minister H.S. Mahadevaprasad who represented the constituency for five consecutive terms, Niranjan Kumar is expecting people to vote for him this time for having lost the elections in the constituency twice.

The Congress, which considers Chamarajanagar as its fortress, has not taken the election lightly.

Chief Minister Siddharamaiah and his Cabinet colleagues have been campaigning in the constituency to convince voters to support their candidate.

The BJP, which has also taken the election seriously, has been sending its top Lingayat leaders including State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa and V. Somanna to cash-in on the majority Lingayat votes.

The entry of former Union Minister S.M. Krishna has also boosted the morale of BJP leaders. Krishna took part in a party convention yesterday and the event witnessed huge support from Gundlupet residents.

Though the number of Vokkaligas is less in Gundlupet, the BJP wants to secure their votes projecting S.M. Krishna, a Vokkaliga strongman.

Meanwhile, the Congress party is fighting the elections with development works done by late Mahadevaprasad and also the development works undertaken by the Siddharamaiah government.

There are a total of 2,00,862 voters with 1,00,144 males, 1,00,701 females and others 17. There are 250 polling booths and among them 33 are sensitive, 39 are hyper-sensitive, 17 remote area polling booths and 161 normal polling booths.

Truckers' stir enters sixth day

Minister Tanveer Sait meets protesters

Mysuru, Apr. 5 (RK&KS)- The ongoing strike by truckers, which began from the midnight of Mar. 30 following a call given by the South India Motor Transport Association (SIMTA) to press for their various demands including the roll-back of the increased premium for third party insurance, hike in penalty and toll fee, entered its sixth day today as the talks held between the truckers and the Government failed yesterday.

Meanwhile, Primary and Secondary Education Minister Tanveer Sait, who met the striking truckers at the Lorry Shed in Bannimantap here this morning, urged them to transport the essential commodities that have arrived to city in trains to the godowns.

He said that he would pressurise the Government soon after the by-polls and set things right.

Construction activities of both Government agencies and private parties have come to a standstill following the strike. However, transportation of vegetables, fruits, milk, medicines, petrol and diesel and other essential commodities has not been affected.

Meanwhile, members of Petroleum Tankers Association said that they would decide in joining the stir in three days if the Government does not act soon.

Mysuru District Lorry Owners Association President B. Kodandaramu, Railway Goods Shed Lorry Owners Association President Abdul Khadar and others were present.

Taxi owners take out rally for fulfilment of demands

Mysuru, Apr.5 (RK&DM)- Demanding roll back of third party Insurance premium hike, reduction in auto gas and fuel prices, roll back of hiked RTO fees etc., members of the Mysuru District Luxury Taxi Stand owners and Drivers Association took out a car-taxi rally in city this morning.

The members, who took out rally from the taxi stand opposite KSRTC Sub-Urban Bus Stand, passed through Irwin Road, Railway Station Circle, Dasappa Circle, Metropole Circle and Hunsur Road, before reaching the DC's office where they staged a demonstration for sometime, shouting slogans against the State and Central Governments. They later presented a memorandum to the DC's office.

Association President Ayub Pasha, office-bearers B.J. Nagaraj, Mehboob Pasha, Asgar Khan, Ravi and Shivaraj took part.

Bigg Boss-4 winner Pratham attempts suicide

Bengaluru, Apr. 5- **Pratham**, the winner of *Big Boss Kannada Season-4,* allegedly attempted suicide by consuming sleeping pills yesterday night at his residence. In a video uploaded on *Facebook,* Pratham accused one of his friends Lokesh of harassing him which led him to take extreme step. In the video message, Pratham said: "I am disturbed a lot due to harassment from Lokesh. I am not able to bear the torture of Lokesh. I am yet to receive prize amount from the TV channel but many people are asking me when I am planning to distribute that money to the needy people."

Sources also said that Pratham did not agree to register the complaint. Meanwhile, Lokesh, speaking to media persons, said that Pratham was creating a drama only for the sake of publicity and denied all allegations made by Pratham.

Accident victim succumbs

Mysuru, Apr.5 (RK&DM)- A 25-year-old accident victim, who was being treated at JSS hospital, breathed his last yesterday evening. The deceased has been identified as Ravindra a native of Tumkuru who was working for a private company at Mandya.

Ravindra was travelling to Mysuru from Mandya on his motorcycle on the evening of Mar.30, when he met with a self-accident near T.M. Hosur Gate on Mysuru-Bengaluru Road.

Ravindra, who sustained serious injuries in the accident, was rushed to JSS Hospital, where he succumbed at 7.30 pm yesterday.

Srirangapatna Rural Police have registered a case in this regard.

Woman ends life

Mysuru, Apr.5 (RK&DM)- In a tragic incident, a 23-year-old woman committed suicide by hanging self at her residence at Nagawala in the taluk yesterday.

Ashwini, wife of Shankar of Nagawala, is the deceased. Ashwini, a native of Mullur in H.D. Kote taluk, was married to Shankar four years ago and the couple had no children. Ashwini, who was reportedly upset over domestic disharmony, ended her life by hanging self at her residence when no one else was in the house at about 3 pm yesterday.

The incident came to light when the family members returned from work later in the evening. Yelwal Police have registered a case.

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RANKINGS BY UNION HRD MINISTRY

Mysore Varsity ranked 36 among 774 Universities

Mysuru, Apr. 5 - The century-old University of Mysore (UoM) has been ranked 36th among 774 Universities in the National Survey conducted by the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) of the Union Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD).

Acting UoM Vice-Chancellor Prof. Dayananda Mane told reporters yesterday that it was a moment of satisfaction as the NIRF declared the 36th rank for the Varsity in the University category from among 774 Universities in India.

UoM is also ranked 57th in the overall category from among 3,300 institutions, he said and added that vacancies in teaching posts came in the way of it getting a higher rank.

TOUGH PARAMETERS

"It is difficult to meet the MHRD's parameters with just 30% of permanent posts in the University. In some Departments, there is one permanent faculty and the rest are guest faculties. In this scenario, how is it possible to maintain quality," asked the VC.

He urged the State government to give autonomy to Universities to make appointments to teaching posts, as this was vital to get better rankings.

University of Mysore was the only conventional public University in the State to figure in the NIRF ranking 2017. A total

of 2,995 institutions took part in the process.

KSURF SURVEY

The University had not taken part in the last year's survey due to some technical problems, he said. "Now the target is to secure a place in the top 10 list and later compete with international institutions. When the ratings of the Karnataka State Universities Rating Framework (KSURF) were released last week, we were disappointed as UoM did not figure in the list," he said.

Prof. Mane said that despite all limitations, UoM is a model University and has been recommended as worthy of emulation by the State government in all respects.

Prof. Lingaraja Gandhi, Director, Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation Board (PMEB), who was the nodal officer for providing data for ranking surveys for 2017, said the data had been provided for the State, national and international rankings.

He said ranking of Universities and institutions is a new practice in the higher education system and an extension of the NAAC system.

"It increases competition among institutions and helps in knowing their strengths and weaknesses," Prof. Gandhi said.

FIVE MAIN PARAMETRES

Out of the five main parameters, the UoM had fared well in Graduation Outcome with a score of 93.17% (the Varsity stands 4th in India) and also had fared well in Outreach and Inclusivity and Teaching and Learning Resources with the scores of 53.51% and 41.59% respectively. The weak points are in the areas of Research and Professional Practice with 20.10% and Perception 3.44%, he said.

The University officials were hoping to bridge the gap in student-teacher ratio that also boosts research outcomes, Prof. Gandhi said, and added that paucity of teaching staff needs to be addressed on priority.

Registrar Prof. R. Rajanna said that the problem of staff crunch would soon be addressed. "The government has permitted recruitment of 205 faculty members including 55 backlog posts. Notification for recruitment process would begin once the VC is appointed, he said.

JSS University gets 45th rank in NIRF

Mysuru, Apr. 5- Jagadguru Sri Shivarathreeshwara University (JSS University) that was recently ranked first among young Universities in the Karnataka State University Ranking Framework (KSURF) stands 45th amongst Universities in the country in the National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF).

The rankings were released by the Union Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD) on Apr. 3. The University has secured the 3rd place in the overall ranking among all Universities in the State.

Speaking to reporters here yesterday, Dr. B. Suresh, Vice-Chancellor, JSS University, said it stands among the top 100 institutions in the country at the 74th rank in the overall rankings. The JSS College of Pharmacy, Mysuru, and the JSS College of Pharmacy, Ooty, the two constituent colleges of JSS University, were ranked 10th and 17th respectively among the pharmacy colleges in the country, he said.

In the overall rankings including institutions of national importance such as IITs, IIMs, Indian Institute of Science, NIPER, etc., JSS University still stands among the top 100 institutions in the country, standing at the 74th rank.

"The rankings continue to recognise the efforts put by JSS University which was established only in the year 2008. We are an emerging institution in the country adopting best practices and providing quality education that benefits thousands of graduates," he said.

Executive Secretary of JSS Mahavidyapeeta Dr. C.G. Betsurmath said the University would stress upon inclusiveness and research for the good of the society and also to achieve new benchmarks." The NIRF was established by the Union Ministry of Human Resource Development to assess the quality of education in higher and professional educational institutions. The recognition is surely a big encouragement," he said.

"Among eight institutions of Karnataka that have figured in the top 100 list, JSS University is in the seventh place and among the Universities, it is in the third place. Last year, the JSS University had secured 35th rank," he said. "In both the rankings, the University and the constituent colleges have continued to excel in teaching and learning process and inclusiveness in its education," Dr. Betsurmath added.

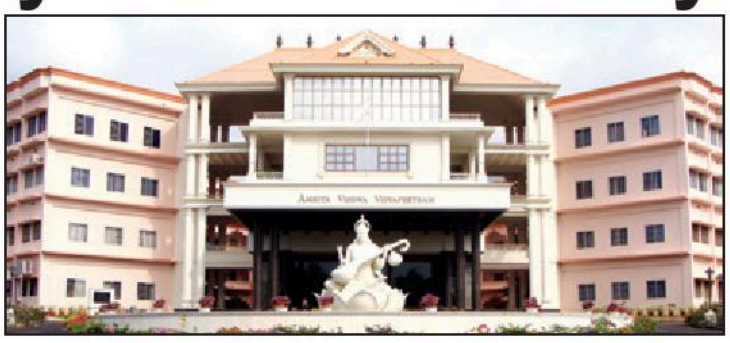
Amrita *numero uno* private University in NIRF survey

Mysuru, Apr. 5 - Amrita University, Coimbatore, has been ranked as No. 1 private University in India and the 9th best among all Indian Universities in the country in the 2017 National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) ranking.

Amrita University comes after Indian Institute of Science, Jawaharlal Nehru University, Banaras Hindu University, Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research, Jadavpur University, Anna University, University of Hyderabad and University of Delhi.

In the overall category (considering all institutions, colleges, IITs, IIMs and Universities), Amrita has been ranked 16. The University has, under the guidance of its Chancellor Mata Amritanandamayi Devi, blossomed into a world-class University within a short span of time through its focus on research and societal outreach programmes, says a press release from the institution.

The NIRF outlines a methodology to rank institutions across the country. The methodology draws from the overall recommendations and broad understanding arrived at by a core committee set up by MHRD, to identify the broad parameters for ranking various Universities



and institutions which cover "Teaching, Learning and Resources," "Research and Professional Practices," "Graduation Outcomes," "Outreach and Inclusivity," and "Perception".

TWO-DAY NATIONAL CONFERENCE

The Department of Management and Commerce, Amrita University is organising a two-day National Conference on Structural, Institutional and Financial Sector Changes (both Global and Indian) in the New Millennium and the Road Ahead on Apr. 7 and 8, at its Mysuru campus in Bogadi II Stage.

The conference will be beneficial to students, researchers, academicians and professionals from the industry in the area of economics, finance and taxation, management, information technology, healthcare, hospitality and journalism.

Papers will be presented by eminent academicians, research scholars and students and the conference aims to explore the recent trends in the structural and financial sectors in India and the world. Papers on topics like digitalisation, demonetisation, knowledge economy, GST, data-informatics, changing role of print media, etc. will be presented.

The conference will be inaugurated by Prof. Chidananda Gowda, former Vice-Chancellor of Kuvempu University on Apr. 7 at 9.30 am.

Prof. Yashavanth Dongre, Senior Professor of Commerce, University of Mysore, will deliver the keynote address.

Dr. G. Kotreshwar, Professor and Coordinator UGC-SAP, Department of Studies in Commerce, University of Mysore, will be the keynote speaker on Apr. 8.

For further details and registration contact: Karuna Devi Mishra on Mob: +91 9739766216 or R. Manjunatha on Mob: +91 7022289931.

IPL Season - 10 begins tonight

(Continued from page 1)

However, there is conformation about the stars performing at Holkar Stadium in Indore and M. Chinnaswamy Stadium on Apr. 8 and at Wankhade Stadium on Apr. 9.

Meanwhile, to make the IPL more exciting, the tournament committee has roped-in former international cricketers like Sanjay Manjrekar, Scott Styris, Ravi Shastri, Pommie Mbangwa, Sunil Gavaskar, Simon Doull, L Siva, Anjum Chopra, Danny Morrison, Isa Guha, Michael Hussey, Lisa Sthalekar, Matthew Hayden, Melanie Jones, Micheal Clarke, Murali Kartik, Brett Lee, Kevin Pietersen, Brendon Julien and Daren Ganga who will be sharing their expert views from the commentary box.

This apart, Sony Max, which is the broadcast partner of Indian Premier League released a special anthem 'Das Saal Aapke Naam' to mark the 10th year of IPL. The tittle song, which celebrates the decade of the tournament, is composed by music composers Salim-Sulaiman and the anthem is sung by Benny Dayal.

A group photo of eight IPL team captains posing with the trophy. [Pic. courtesy: BCCI]

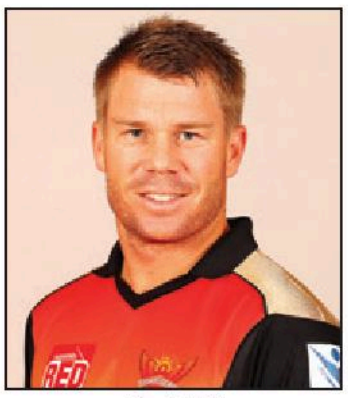
SRH to take on RCB in today's opener

Bengaluru franchise to miss the services of Virat Kohli & AB de Villiers

Hyderabad, Apr. 5 - IPL 2017 will begin with a repeat of last season's finale as defending champions Sunrisers Hyderabad will take on last year's runner-up Royal Challengers Bangalore at the Rajiv Gandhi International Cricket Stadium in Hyderabad this evening.

Sunrisers Hyderabad have retained the core of the team that won the title last season and are further boosted by the acquisition of a few exciting players at the player auction prior to the season. There will particularly be several eyeballs closely following the performance of the two Afghanistan players – Rashid Khan and Mohammad Nabi, who are appearing in the IPL for the first time.

Shane Watson



David Warner

Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB) will start with a distinct disadvantage, in that they will miss their captain Virat Kohli, who is nursing a shoulder injury. The team will also miss the services of the dangerous AB de Villiers, from who will miss the opener to give him more time to recap from injury he is carrying and the prolific K.L. Rahul, who will be flying to London undergo a surgery on his shoulder. RCB have been counted among the favourites at the start of every season, but are yet to win any silverware despite the formidable sides they have fielded over the years. The same holds good this season too; they have a solid looking team this season too and will be desperate to go the distance. The RCB management has made two exciting additions to their squad; the franchise splurged Rs. 12 crore to acquire the services of Tymal Mills apart from signing up the 6.7 ft tall Australian speedster Billy Stanlake.

Given that RCB will be missing several heavyweights, the team will need Chris Gayle and stand-in captain Shane Watson to step up and do plenty of damage with the bat. There will be plenty of expectations from KedarJadhav, after his exploits with the bat earlier this home season; the Maharashtra batsman didn't have too much to do last season, but his stock has risen since and he has delivered the goods against formidable opponents. On the bowling front, RCB will want Mills to do plenty of damage in his four overs.

Biddatanda Hockey Namme from Apr. 17

Napoklu, Apr. 5 (VNS) - Hectic preparations are underway for the Biddatanda Hockey Namme to be held at General K.S. Thimayya Sports Stadium in Napoklu, North Kodagu, from Apr. 17.

Karnataka Kodava Sahitya Academy Chairman B.S. Thammaiah and members of the Biddatanda family yesterday visited the stadium to inspect the preparations.

Later, speaking to media-persons, Hockey Tournament Ground Manager Biddatanda Bellu Belliappa said that the Biddatanda family was hosting the family hockey tournament for the first time and added that all arrangements were being made for the smooth conduct of the much-awaited tournament.

The family has been preparing a new hockey ground at Napoklu at a cost of Rs. 15 lakh and the matches will be played at three different grounds in which teams from 260 Kodava families are expected to participate. Teams willing to participate can register till Apr. 12. The hockey tournament which begins on Apr. 17 is expected to end on May 7 or May 14.

The tournament will be inaugurated by Union Minister D.V. Sadananda Gowda. District Incharge Minister M.R. Seetaram, MLAs K.G. Bopaiah and M.P. Appachu Ranjan, MLCs Sunil Subramani and Veena Achaiah and others will be present.

Belliappa added that the State Government had released Rs. 40 lakh while MP Pratap Simha had granted Rs. 20 lakh, MLC Veena Acchaiah Rs. 5 lakh and ZP member Murali Karumbaiah had released Rs. 2 lakh for the tournament.

The organisers are making arrangements for the galleries to accommodate more than 20,000 spectators to watch the matches. Indian Hockey stars and members of the Indian Army Hockey team are expected to visit Napoklu to witness the tournament. Events such as Ummathat, Bolakat, Kattiyat which depicts Kodava culture will be performed during the inaugural event. The tournament committee is spending around Rs. 1.60 crore for the *Namme*.

KSCA Group II 2nd Division League

Ashun Kumar Shetty shines for SWR

Mysuru, Apr. 5- A valuable knock of 96 (5x4s, 5x6s) by opener Ashun Kumar A. Shetty helped South Western Railway Institute to register a 40-run win over ITC Sports Club, Bengaluru, in the KSCA Group II, 2nd Division league match played at the SDNR Wadiyar Grounds here yesterday.

BRIEF SCORES

SWR Institute, Mysuru 213 in 30 overs (Ashun Kumar A. Shetty 96, Pavan 55, Naveen Yadav three for 44, L. Nandakishore two for 15) bt ITC Sports Club, Bengaluru 173 in 28.5 overs (Kaushik Udupa 57, G. Prasad three for 16, Sagar three for 24).

MDFA 'A' Division Football League

Durgamba FC, Soniya FC settle for a draw

Mysuru, Apr.5- Last year's runner-up Durgamba FC were held to a 1-1 draw by Soniya FC in the MDFA 'A' Division Group B league tie for the Achutharao memorial trophy played at the University Football Grounds here yesterday.

THE RESULTS

Durgamba FC 1 (Shashwath 59) drew with Soniya FC 1 (Aanid Zain 55).

'Being a single parent is an individual's choice'

Bollywood director-producer Karan Johar and actor Tusshar Kapoor were in the news recently for becoming single parents through surrogacy. When issues regarding surrogacy are being talked about these days, here is a person from our city who decided to be a single parent through surrogacy about 10 years back much before surrogacy was known to majority of the people. Meet Rakesh, a Mysuru-based writer and an aspiring film director, who is a proud father of nine-year-old twins Anushka and Krishna, now settled in Bengaluru. *Star of Mysore* caught up with Rakesh for a brief chat during his recent visit to Mysuru. Excerpts...

Rakesh with his twin children Anushka and Krishna.

By S.N. Venkatnag Sobers

Star of Mysore (SOM): What inspired you to decide on becoming a single parent?

Rakesh: I have been asked similar questions when there is a conversation. For me it's all about individual decision and one's thought about what you want to be. I had always wanted to be independent but it doesn't mean that I am against the institution of marriage or against having a relationship with a woman. But when it comes to individual perception it differs. I wanted to be independent and single. I had decided not to get married but I always wanted to have children because of my affection which inspired me to be a single parent.

SOM: Being a single parent is fine. But children often get connected emotionally to a mother. Was it difficult to manage them?

Rakesh: Any decision you take — either being a single parent, having kids or getting into a relationship irrespective of any responsibilities both professionally or personally — is only when a person is confident and knows his/her capabilities. In my case, it has never been the issue. I never felt it is or would be difficult to take care of my kids as I was prepared. Being well aware of the demands and responsibilities makes the job easier. I brought my kids home from the surrogate mother when they were just 3 months on my parents' insistence and since then I have been taking care of them with the support of my parents who reside in JP Nagar.

SOM: There is always a chance of your kids wanting to know about their mother. How do you manage?

Rakesh: My children are nine years now and questions regarding their mother have already been raised. One has to be well-prepared to handle the psychological aspects and handling the kids emotionally. Questions on their mother were asked when they entered the school. Initially, I was in touch with a psychologist in Bengaluru who told me that revealing about surrogacy to children would not help as they are not in a position to understand. There were two options; either try to avoid such questions or tell them that their mother is no more. It sounds rude but I believe it is the right way to handle to avoid confusion at a time when they are growing. This apart, there is no vacuum of them not having a mother as they have not experienced the affection of a mother.

SOM: Have people asked you about your sexual status since you decided not to enter into wedlock?

Rakesh: Yes, people have asked me about my sexual status. In fact, one of my relatives, who is around 80-years-old asked me in a lighter vein *"Makkallella maadkondidya, Chennagi Nodkothidya. Beredakella Yenmaadthiya?"* It's so funny to hear such questions being asked by people of that age. Well, talking about my sexuality, I am a straight guy. People have also asked me how am I satisfying my sexual desires. I just want to say that we are living in the 21st century and it is up to the people to decide on how I fulfil my needs. It is an open society and there are many people who are open-minded. And it is not difficult to come across a like-minded person.

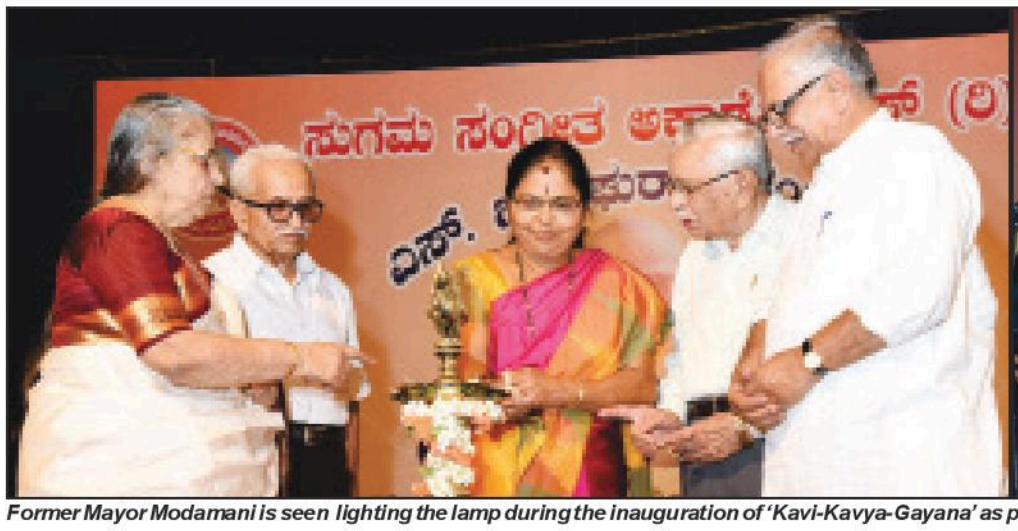
SOM: Do you plan to have your own organisation to create awareness on surrogacy?

Rakesh: Right now, there are no such ideas. But, yeah, I do get calls from people who wish to take my advice on the issue. I do take up paid consultancy to clarify on certain issues on being a single parent.

SOM: What is the most common question asked by people and was it difficult to find a surrogate mother?

Rakesh: The common question would be how to go about the matter and the formalities that has to be completed to be a single parent. To speak about me finding a surrogate mother, it was not at all difficult. Fortunately, I was with a good group of people who helped me to find a surrogate mother. Even the woman, who gave birth to my children, was also good. But I had to undergo several legal procedures before the actual process began. Even the legal procedures then were simpler but it had too many hurdles. The doctors will assess one's ability to be a single parent and only if they are convinced the procedure is taken forward. They will also check the background for financial support and counsel you regarding the IVF process as having twins, triplets and quadruplets is common in the IVF method. One has to be prepared for twins as it is most common while triplets and quadruplets depends on one's luck !

'Institute an award to immortalise S.G. Raghuram'



Former Mayor Modamani is seen lighting the lamp during the inauguration of 'Kavi-Kavya-Gayana' as poet Dr. Doddarangegowda, Sugama Sangeetha Academy Trust President K.V. Murthy, retired BARC Scientist Muliya Raghavaiah and noted Sugama Sangeetha artiste H.R. Leelavathi look on. Picture right shows Sugama Sangeetha artistes performing on the occasion.

Mysuru, Apr. 5 (US&YDS)- Sugama Sangeetha Academy Trust had organised a function 'Kavi-Kavya-Gayana' in memory of artiste S.G. Raghuram at Jaganmohan Palace here recently.

Speaking on the occasion, poet Dr. Doddarangegowda opined that the Government should institute an award in memory of S.G. Raghuram to immortalise his contribution to music which should be presented to Sugama Sangeetha artistes. He regretted that media was encouraging superstitions, glorifying crimes and political squabbles without giving due consideration to problems of farmers. He questioned the working ethics of Police force who have remained silent on growing crime rate like harassment on women.

He said that music and literature would tune the mind to active mode and added that music has a therapeutic property to cure illness of mind and body. However, he advised musicians to worship the art which should not be commercialised.

Retd. BARC Scientist Muliya Raghavaiah was felicitated on the occasion. Former Mayor Modamani inaugurated the event. Trust President K.V. Murthy and Sugama Sangeetha artiste H.R. Leelavathi were present.

Renovation of St. Philomena's Church interiors completed

- *Bishop to bless the Church today*
- *Entire renovation to be completed in 8-10 months*

The renovated altar area inside the Church.

The exterior portion of the Church which is under renovation.

By S. Kenneth Shishir

The renovation of St. Philomena's Church, Mysuru's iconic and one of the largest churches in the country, is almost complete except for its exterior portions.

The renovation was taken up as the structure was being exposed to the vagaries of nature and had developed small cracks with water seeping.

Yesterday workers were seen giving final touches to the interior portion of the Church, as the Bishop would bless the renovated Church today at 5 pm and regular Mass will be held inside the Church after a gap of one year. All these days, the Mass was being held outside the Church as renovation of the interiors were under progress.

The conservation of the majestic Church taken up at the cost of Rs. 2.70 crore, is funded by the Department of Tourism, Government of Karnataka, with the Department of Archaeology, Museum and Heritage being the Technical consultant and Savani Construction Company Pvt. Ltd., Mumbai, being the Executive Agency which has been awarded the renovation works. The company, which took up the works, started to work on Mar. 28, 2016.

Anjali Patel, Conservation Architect of Savani Constructions, speaking to *SOM,* said that renovation works inside the Church is completed and added that the exterior works would be completed in 8-10 months time.

She said that materials such as lime mortar, jaggery syrup, bitumen emulsion syrup, lime rendering for plastering, sewed lime, dolomite powder, sea shell powder, lime plaster and apex paint (steel grey colour) are being used.

Anjali Patel, Conservation Architect

When asked whether cement is being used for plastering or any other purpose, Anjali said that cement was not being used anywhere as cement does not stick with lime and added that wherever cement was used earlier, it is removed and lime mortar was used in its place. She said that the materials for the conservation works were being purchased in bulk from various manufactures across the country and were being brought to Mysuru.

When asked for the delay in completing the works, she said that small and delicate works such as works on carvings and sculptors were consuming time but expressed confidence that the works would be completed before Christmas this year.

She said that one architect, two engineers and one supervisor who has an experience of more than 26 years in conserving heritage structures were supervising about 60 labourers including master craftsmen, masons, helpers and painters.

Expressing his happiness about the works, Rev. Fr. N.T. Joseph, Parish Priest of St. Joseph's Cathedral (St. Philomena's Church), said that a young and enthusiastic architect who is staying in Mysuru since February last was taking care of the works day and night to complete it on time and added that the Government which had sanctioned grants for the first phase of work was happy with the work and again granted funds for the second phase of work. He expressed confidence that the works would be completed soon.

Fr. N.T. Joseph, Parish Priest of St. Joseph's Cathedral, is seen overseeing the work.

Fr. Joseph said that the completed renovation works of the interior of the Church would be blessed today (Apr. 5) at 5 pm and Mass would commence inside the church after a gap of one year.

History: Dedicated to Saint Philomena, St. Philomena's Church is not only known for its architectural beauty and religious significance; it stands as an exemplary of secular viewpoint and the religious harmony which existed in Mysuru which can be seen from the fact that this church was built by the erstwhile rulers of Mysuru for the European residents in the city.

Initially a small structure was built in 1840, called as St. Joseph Chavez, which was later changed to its present name. The Church gained its present form in 1933 during the reign of Maharaja Krishnaraja Wadiyar.

In 1843, Mysore King Mummadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar built the Church so as to cater to the needs of the European people who were residing in Mysore then. However, with the increase in the number of European residents and devotees in Mysore, there was a need for a bigger Church.

Hence, in 1933, the foundation for the new Church was laid out. After 8 years of construction, the Church started functioning in 1941. The remnants of the St. Philomena have been preserved in this church even today.

Constructed in Neo-Gothic or the Victorian style, this Church draws its inspiration from the Cologne Cathedral of Germany and is said to be designed by French artist Daly.

St. Philomena's Church has been made in the shape of a cross, with congregation hall also referred as 'nave' being the longest end of the Cross, the transepts being the two arms of the Cross, choir being the crossing and altar being the upper part or the smaller part of the Cross.

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WORD OF THE DAY

Ignoble

Pronunciation: ig-NOH-bul
Meaning: Of low birth or common origin: plebeian; characterised by baseness, lowness, or meanness.
Origin: The word noble, in addition to referring to someone born to aristocratic ranks, can also be used to describe someone of outstanding character. That word first appeared in English in the 13th century, and its antonym, ignoble, came about two centuries later. Ignoble derives via Middle English and Middle French from the Latin prefix in- ("not") and the Old Latin gnobilis ("noble"). Originally, ignoble described someone born to common or plebeian origins, but by the late 16th century it had come to describe people of dishonorable character, or the actions performed by such people.

THE ODD WORD

Xenodochial

Hospitable; kindly to strangers.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Nineteen To The Dozen

Meaning: Going very fast.
Origin: In Cornish mines in the 18th century, pumps were installed to drain flood water. When working at full capacity, they could drain 19,000 gallons of water for every 12 bushels of coal that powered them.

QUOTE BOX

We accept the love we think we deserve.

—Stephen Chbosky

RIDDLE THIS

A man says his dog can jump over his house. No one believes him but he is right. How is that possible?

Answer: The dog can jump over his dog house.

SUDOKU

	1			2	8	6		
		5						
			5			1	3	
8				5	6		9	3
	3						6	
6	5		9	1				7
	9	6			7			
						8		
		8	6	4			7	

Answer to previous puzzle

3	1	7	2	5	4	6	8	9
6	2	5	8	9	1	4	7	3
9	4	8	6	3	7	1	2	5
7	8	2	3	1	6	5	9	4
1	9	4	5	8	2	7	3	6
5	6	3	7	4	9	8	1	2
8	5	6	1	2	3	9	4	7
2	7	9	4	6	8	3	5	1
4	3	1	9	7	5	2	6	8

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

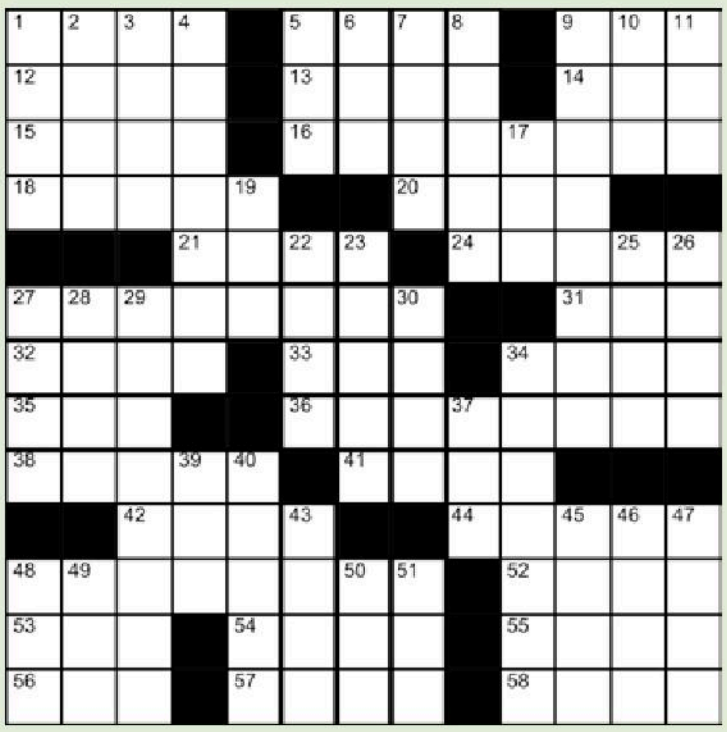
1 Small platform to drag over snow
5 Fifty per cent?
9 Dev Anand thriller of yore
12 One in Bonn
13 Mr. Agnihotri of Bollywood
14 Form of pig meat
15 Give out, emanate or exude
16 Longing to be back in your own place?
18 Cowboy competition
20 Office boy
21 Specification in short
24 Long walking-stick
27 Circular tower as a fort for coastal defence
31 'Me' in French
32 Extras at cricket
33 Memorandum of Understanding
34 Criminal group
35 An East Indian shrub
36 Temporarily puts a stop to
38 Pole of a spear
41 Animal with antlers
42 Stretched very tight
44 Entertain
48 She is the big boss in the newspaper world
52 The first king of Phliasia
53 Decimal multiple?
54 Holder for flowers, maybe
55 Gender abbr.
56 Commonwealth Games in short
57 Young Men's Christian Association, in short
58 American university

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

S	I	L	L	■	L	E	E	■	R	A	P	S
O	D	E	A	■	A	D	M	■	A	L	I	E
H	I	G	H	T	I	M	E	■	N	O	P	E
■	■	■	O	D	D	■	R	O	C	K	E	D
B	E	E	R	S	■	S	I	N	H	■	■	■
L	U	T	E	■	D	E	T	A	I	L	E	D
O	R	T	■	F	O	R	U	M	■	O	N	E
C	O	U	L	O	M	B	S	■	B	L	O	W
■	■	■	U	R	I	S	■	T	E	L	L	Y
S	U	L	L	E	N	■	R	U	G	■	■	■
O	P	A	L	■	A	R	A	B	I	A	N	S
N	A	V	E	■	N	U	N	■	N	I	C	E
U	S	E	D	■	T	N	T	■	S	L	O	W

DOWN

1 Portent master
2 Big shiny car, in short
3 Authoress __ Blyton
4 Hates or abhors intensely
5 Triumphant cry
6 From _ __ z (1,2)
7 ___ sum : money paid down at once or in one instalment?
8 Escapes from danger
9 A man from the orient may bowl such a ball in cricket!
10 Integrated Avionics Comp.
11 Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam, acronym
17 Drunkard
19 Unseal - poetically speaking!
22 Large deciduous trees
23 Under a ___ : out of favour or under suspicion?
25 Affectionate
26 Soft, pear-shaped fruit
27 IIM grads.
28 "Hay a" change for an indian maid servant
29 Associating, comparing or likening
30 English river
34 2014 FIFA World Cup Champions
37 A leguminous plant or its seed
39 A ___ lot : very little?
40 Topsy - ___ : upside down?
43 A number of players
45 Nitrogenous fertilizer
46 ___ Bellow : "Humbolt's Gift" author?
47 Italian noble family
48 And so on abbr.
49 Early morning moisture
50 Tenth std. exams
51 Arabian for one, South China for another?



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

RQC RQUVM U QERC EPTLR EV EHMLICVR UJ RQER

UR EXDEAJ UVRCHHLZRJ E SUJNLJJUTV

TODAY'S CLUE: R EQUALS T

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: I love Mickey Mouse more than any woman I've ever known - Walt Disney

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Rogue	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Manasu Malligey	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Raajakumara	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9900820093	4 Shows
	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Hebbuli	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Chowka	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
	Sri Maruthi	94489-06100	4 Shows
Ajaraamara	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows
Jilebi	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
Apsara	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
HINDI			
Naam Shabana	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
Stepney 2 Returns	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Guru	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Dora	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows

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Naam Shabana (H)	(S-1)	10.15 am, 7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
The Boss Baby (E-3D)	(S-1)	1.00 pm, 3.00 pm, 5.00 pm
	(S-3)	8.00 pm
Rogue (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am
Kavan (Ta)	(S-2)	1.25 pm
Manasu Malligey (K)	(S-2)	4.30 pm; (S-4) 10.30 am
Lion (E)	(S-2)	7.15 pm
The Great Father (Ma)	(S-2)	9.45 pm
Ajaraamara (K)	(S-3)	10.10 am
Beauty and The Beast (E-3D)	(S-3)	1.00 pm
Dora (Ta)	(S-3)	3.30 pm
Poorna (H)	(S-3)	6.00 pm
Guru (Te)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
Raajakumara (K)	(S-4)	1.30 pm, 4.15 pm
		7.05 pm, 9.55 pm

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Naam Shabana (H)	(S-1)	9.55 pm
	(S-3)	1.25 pm, 6.50 pm
	(S-4)	10.00 am, 4.00 pm
Raajakumara (K)	(S-2)	9.55 am, 12.55 pm, 3.55 pm
		6.55 pm, 9.55 pm
The Boss Baby (E-3D)	(S-1)	9.50 am, 7.50 pm
Manasu Malligey (K)	(S-1)	11.55 am, 4.55 pm
Rogue (K)	(S-3)	10.45 am
	(S-4)	7.00 pm
The Great Father (Ma)	(S-3)	9.50 pm
Kavan (Ta)	(S-4)	9.40 pm
Katamarayudu (Te)	(S-4)	1.00 pm
A Dog Purpose (E)	(S-1)	2.50 pm
Guru (Te)	(S-3)	4.25 pm

Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

AIR ON THURSDAY

6.00 am Patriotic Songs, 6.10 Geetaradhana, 6.30 Chinthana, 6.45 Bhavageete, 6.50 Sponsored Prog., 10.00 Nagaswara Recital, 10.30 Hindi Film Songs, 11.00 Keli Kali, 12.00 noon Chukki Chinna, 12.30 Mahila Ranga, 1.00 Devaranama, 1.20 Bhavageete, 1.30 pm Madhyanada Madhurya, 2.35 Chinnara Chukki, 4.00 Inchara, 5.00 Gaana, 6.15 Folk Songs, 6.50 Krishi Ranga, 8.00 Ranga Kalarava, 9.30 Mandolin Recital, 10.00 Savinenapu.

EVENTS TODAY (APR.5)

North Eastern Handicrafts and Handlooms Development Corporation Limited and Ministry of Development of North-Eastern Region: North-East Crafts Bazaar, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **up to 9 pm.**

JSS Polytechnic, JSS Technical Institutions Complex: Annual Day, JSS Science & Technology University VC Dr. B.G. Sangameshwara presides, retd. Principal of St. Philomena's Prof. M. Krishnegowda chief guest, JSS Polytechnic premises, **4 pm.**

Sri Shankara Jayanti Sabha: Sri Ramanavami Programme-2017, Cultural programmes, Devotional Songs by Sri Shankara Bhajana Mandali, **5 pm to 5.45 pm;** Karnatak Classical Music by Vid. R.C. Vijesh and troupe, Community Hall, Tengina Thopu, 2nd Main Road, Saraswathipuram, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira: 88th Sri Ramothsava, Bhajans by Sri Gayatridevi Bhajana Mandali, **5 pm to 6 pm;** Vocal recital by Vid. S.M. Nagachetan and troupe, Mandira premises, Kantharaj Urs Road, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 9 pm.**

Karnataka Press Council: Inauguration of the Council and release of 'Vismaya Bharata' newsletter, social worker H.V. Rajeev, former MLC Madegowda, DCP N. Rudramuni, retd. DCP Shekarappa and others guests, Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), JLB Road, **5.30 pm to 7.30 pm.**

Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust, Vinoba Road and Department of Kannada and Culture: 127th year Sri Hevilambhi Samvatsara 'Sri Ramothsava,' Dr. M.R.V. Prasad, Member of Central Music Natak Akademi (Delhi) and Akhila Karnataka Brahmana Mahasabha, Immediate Past President, inaugurates, M.J. Ravikumar, Mayor, chief guest, Rtn. K.V. Murthy, Industrialist and Art Patron, special invitee, **5.30 pm;** Sangeethotsava-2017, Classical Music by **Vid. P. Unnikrishnan,**

accompanied by M.A. Sundareshan on violin, Tumkur B. Ravishankar on mridanga and G.S. Ramanujam on ghata, Srimathi Alammanavara Chatra, Kunchitigara Sangha, Srirampet, **6.30 pm to 9.30 pm.**

Bhagini Seva Samaja: Bhagini Ramotsava-Sangeetha Habba, Bhajans, **5.30 pm to 6 pm;** Discourse by Vid. Bhadarayanachar on 'Ramayana Sandesha,' **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Musical programme - Vocal recital by **Vid. Vignesh Eshwar**

accompanied by Vid. Mathur Srinidhi on violin, Vid. Jayachandra Rao on mridanga and Vid. Phanindra Bhaskar on ghata, Nityotsava Hall near Ballal Circle, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm to 9 pm.**

Bharathi Sthree Samaja Cultural and Educational Charitable Trust: Sri Ramanavami Festival, Group recital by Vasundhara Gana Vrunda, Samaja premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Ganavisharada Bidaram Krishnappa's Sree Prasanna Seetharama Mandira, Narayana Shastri Road: 101st Sri

Ramanavami Music Festival, **Vid. H. L. Shivashankarswamy** & Party - Talavadya Kacheri, Prasanna Seetharama Mandira, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramaseva Mandali Charitable Trust Mysore North: Vid. Ganesh Bhat Koppal Thota - Sangeetha Avadhana, Sri Prasanna Parvati Kalyana Mantapa, V.V. Mohalla, **6 pm.**

Gopalaswamy College of Professional Studies: Annual Day, Music University Registrar Dr. Niranjan Vanalli chief guest, MET President Dr. S. Murali presides, GSI PU College, Lakshmipuram, **6 pm.**

Parampare: Ramayanada Rangageetegalu; Y.M. Puttannaiah and troupe, Rajat auditorium, Ganapati Temple, I-Block Ramakrishna Nagar, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Ramadhama, Udayagiri Mahajana Sabha and Sri Krishnadhama, Saraswathipuram: Sri Hevilambi Naama Samvatsara's 32nd year Sri Ramanavami Utsava, Musical programme by Vid. Srinath and troupe, Mysuru, Sri Rama Mandira, #371, 3rd Cross Road, Udayagiri, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Rama Bhakta Vrunda Seva Trust: 16th Sri Ramanavami Mahotsava, Bhajans by Jayashankar and troupe, Mysuru, **6.30 pm;** Mahamangalarathi and distribution of prasadam, Sri Rama Mandira, 11th Main Road, E-Block, J.P. Nagar, **8.30 pm.**

Bhavasara Kshatriya Panduranga Bhajana Mandali: Sri Ramanavami, Traditional Pandari Bhajana and Prasada Viniyoga, Sri Panduranga Vittala Temple, Kabir Road, Lakshkar Mohalla, **8.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (APR.6)

Sri Rama Bhakta Vrunda Seva Trust: 16th Sri Ramanavami, Sri Seetha Kalyana Programme, **7.30 am;** Devotional songs by Indrani Anantharam and K.R. Harshadeep, Sri Rama Mandira, 11th Main Road, E-Block, J.P. Nagar, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Ramadhama, Udayagiri Mahajana Sabha and Sri Krishnadhama, Saraswathipuram: Sri Hevilambi Naama Samvatsara's 32nd year Sri Ramanavami Utsava, special pujas, **8 am onwards;** Cultural programmes, Harikathe by Srilalitha Uliyar, Sri Rama Mandira, #371, 3rd Cross Road, Udayagiri, **6.30 pm.**

Udupi Sri Krishna Mandira and Chende Mela Kala Sangha: Free Religious Education Camp for Brahmin students, Mandira premises, N.S. Road, **9 am to 4 pm.**

Krishnamurthypuram Sri Rama Mandira: 88th Sri Ramothsava Cultural programmes, Sri Sita Kalyanotsava, **morning;** Bhajans by Sri Umamaheshwari Bhajana Mandali, **5 pm to 6 pm;** Vocal recital by Vidu. Rajashri Hoshiyar Srikanth and troupe, Mandira premises, Kantharaj Urs Road, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.15 pm to 9 pm.**

Sri Shankara Jayanti Sabha: Sri Ramanavami Programme-2017, Abhisheka, Archane, Puja Programmes, **9.30 am;** Mahamangalarati, **11.30 am;** Cultural programmes, Devotional Songs by Sri Purandara Vitthala Bhajana Mandali, **5 pm to 5.45 pm;** Keyboard recital by Vid. Vid. A.S. Prasanna and disciples, Community Hall, Tengina Thopu, 2nd Main Road, Saraswathipuram, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

North Eastern Handicrafts and Handlooms Development Corporation Limited and Ministry of Development of North-Eastern Region: North-East Crafts Bazaar, Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry, Vinoba Road, **10 am to 9 pm.**

Maharani's Science College for Women: Valedictory of Cultural, Sports and NSS Activities, Pramoda Devi Wadiyar inaugurates, Sanskrit University VC Dr. Padma Shekar, Management Guru Prof. Harish Machaiah and International Athlete Arjun Devaiah chief guests, Maharani's Science College for Women Principal Dr. A. Nagaraju presides, **10 am.**

Sahara Art & Crafts Shopping Festival: Handicrafts and Handloom Expo-cum-Sale, Scouts and Guides Grounds, **10.30 am to 9.30 pm.**

Sri Shivarathri Religious Endowment, JSS Mahavidyapeetha: Drawing camp-2017, Sri Ravivarma Art Institute Principal Shivakumar Kesaramadu inaugurates, Journalist C.K. Mahendra presides, JSS Baljagath School premises, **11 am.**

Bhagini Seva Samaja: Bhagini Ramotsava-Sangeetha Habba, Bhajans, **5.30 pm to 6 pm;** Discourse by Vid. Bhadarayanachar on 'Ramayana Sandesha,' **6 pm to 6.30 pm;** Musical programme - Flute recital by **Vid. Mysuru A. Chandan Kumar** accompanied by Vid. K.J. Dilip on violin, Vid. N. Vasudev on mridanga and Vid. Phanindra Bhaskar on ghata, Nityotsava Hall near Ballal Circle, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm to 9 pm.**

Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Trust: Weekly Programme on DVG's "Manku thimmana Kagga" by Master Speker K.S. Mukundan, 'Chaitanya Bhavan,' Krishna Temple, Gokulam 3rd Stage, 6 pm.Sri Krishna Seva Samithi Trust: Weekly Programme on DVG's "Manku thimmana Kagga" by Master Speker K.S. Mukundan, 'Chaitanya Bhavan,' Krishna Temple, Gokulam 3rd Stage, **6 pm.**

Bharathi Sthree Samaja Cultural and Educational Charitable Trust: Sri Ramanavami Festival, Vaibhava Shayanotsava followed by lucky dip draw, Samaja premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

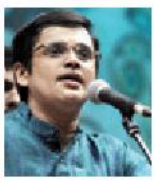
Sri Rama Temple, Palace North Gate: Sri Ramanavami Mahotsava, Bhajans by Gayatri Mahila Samaja, Sri Rama Temple, Palace North Gate, **6 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Shantivratanandaji speaks on 'Sri Dakshinamurthy Stotra,' Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

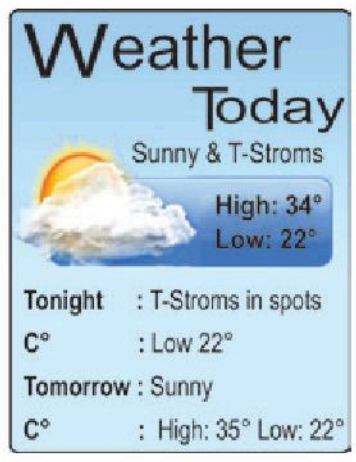
Sri Ramaseva Mandali Charitable Trust Mysore North: Flute recital by **Vid. V. Vamshidhar,** Sri Prasanna Parvati Kalyana Mantapa, V.V. Mohalla, **6 pm.**

Sri Sitarama Temple Trust: Sri Ramanavami Mahotsava-2017, Bhajans by Temple Bhajana Mandali, Sri Sitarama Temple, Manandavadi Road, Railway Colony, **6.30 pm.**

Sri Ramabhyudaya Sabha Public Charitable Trust, Vinoba Road and Department of Kannada and Culture: 127th year Sri Hevilambhi Samvatsara 'Sri Ramothsava,' Classical Music - **Vid. Saketharaman** will be accompanied by Akkarai Subbalakshmi on violin, K.U. Jayachandrarao on mridanga and Bhargav Halambi on khanjira, Srimathi Alammanavara Chatra, Kunchitigara Sangha, Srirampet, **6.30 pm.**



Rotary Mysore: Talk on World Health Day by Dr. B.R. Pai, Rotary Centre, JLB Road, **6.30 pm.**



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